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For

: VIDEO GAME THAT DISPLAYS PLAYER CHARACTERS OF

MULTIPLE PLAYERS IN THE SAME SCREEN

# FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement that was filed on March 18, 2004, Applicant hereby submits a copy of a Partial European Search Report from the European Patent Office that was mailed on April 23, 2004, with respect to patent family member European Patent Application No. EP 03028118.2, in which the European Patent Examiner cited the following documents:

European Patent Application Publication No. EP 0 872 266, which was published on October 21, 1998;

- U.S. Patent No. 4,858,930 to SATO, which issued on August 22, 1989;
- U.S. Patent No. 6,422,939 to KOYAMA et al., which issued on July 23, 2002;
- U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0142835 to NAKAZATO, which was published on October 3, 2002;

European Patent Application Publication No. EP 1 245 255, which was published on October 2, 2002;

European Patent Application Publication No. EP 0 971 311, which was published on January 12, 2000;

U.S. Patent No. 6,409,604 to MATSUNO, which issued on June 25, 2002; and U.S. Patent No. 4,738,451 to LOGG, which issued on April 19, 1988.

The category of relevance, pertinent portions, and claims to which each document is relevant, as ascertained by the European Examiner applying European rules to the European claims are set forth in the Partial European Search Report.

Further to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to waive the requirement under 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(i), copies of the U.S. patents and U.S. patent application publication are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of the above-noted foreign documents are attached and all of the documents have been listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the Form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application.

Applicant notes that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the present application, and thus no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material. However, if an Office Action on the merits has issued and is crossing this statement in the mail, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any

fee necessary for the consideration of this statement, including any payment under 37 C.F.R. §1.17 (p) to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully Submitted,

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